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BROKEN BOW, - - NEBRASKA.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

A syndicate, headed by William E. Mighell of San Francisco, has purchased the entire fleet of sailing vessels owned by Flint & Co., of New York.

The secretary of war and a number of prominent officials left Washington for New York to inspect the United States troop ship Thomas, said to be the finest ship of the kind afloat.

It was announced on board the British cruiser Talbot, which is to sail from Halifax for England, that immediately on her arrival at Portsmouth she would be sent to South Africa.

The annual report of Land Commissioner Hermann for the fiscal year ending June 30 last shows that he issued patents to the state of Nebraska for 3,422 acres of land on account of the school land grant.

A special dispatch from Pietermaritzburg, Natal, dated October 24, says: Nine hundred and eighty-eight Boer prisoners arrived here this morning. The include Captains DeWitt, Hammer, Forthuis, Dorey, Van Legger and Dottner.

The United States circuit court of appeals in Philadelphia refused a rehearing in the case of Joseph Wilkins of Washington, D. C., and Howard Butler of Philadelphia, defendants in the famous oleomargarine cases of several years ago.

Mrs. James Zantor of Bucyrus, Ohio, died from the effects of the bite of a pet coon and her daughter, 11 years of age, is dying from the same cause. The coon became enraged, biting mother and daughter, and both suffered from blood poisoning.

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The Deutsche Colonial Zeitung publishes an article strongly deprecating any suggestion that Germany should renounce her claims in the Samoan islands and declaring a hope that wherever the German flag floats it shall float forever.

The new steamer Ponce, Captain Dyer, which left New York October 19 on her maiden trip to San Juan and Ponce, is more than forty-eight hours overdue, and there is some anxiety. Her agents express confidence and say her course was probably altered.

Mrs. Mary Jane Colthart, aged 45 years, of Bunker Hill, Ill., whose husband died two years ago, leaving her a farm, and \$2,000, is penniless in Rochester, New York, having been robbed of \$4,075 by a New York confidence man, who married her, go, her

Mr. and Mrs. F. Mayon arrived in Minneapolis from Sioux City, Ia., on their bridal tour and registered at the Nicollet house, Tuesday night at 6:30 Mayon disappeared, leaving his young wife friendless and penniless in a strange city. Thus far the efforts of the police to locate Mayon have been futile.

Ten ladies of a Clay county township, South Dakota, have formed themselves into a charity club, and at present their work is confined to furnishing clothing of all kinds for the children of the children's home at Sioux Falls. It is the object of the ladies to meet as often as once a week at each others' homes and make and amend garments.

Colonel E. G. Rathbone, who is in charge of the postal service in Cuba, arrived on Havana on the steamship Havana. He says the postal service bankruptcy, liabilities, \$165,862; assets, \$145,862; has been thoroughly reorganized. Among the new features introduced are the registry and money order divisions, both of which have been in successful operation since April.

The western parlor furniture manufacturers' association decided to make an advance of 10 per cent in the price of furniture. An advance of 10 per cent was recently made, but this was found to be insufficient for profit. The national association of chamber suits and case work manufacturers decided today instead of an advance of 10 per cent in price, to make the increase 12 to 15 per cent, to go into effect at once.

At an investigation made by Special Agent Canada of the Union Pacific, of the case of the man arrested in Idaho on suspicion of being one of the Wilcox train robbers, it resulted in satisfying the authorities that the man arrested had nothing to do with the affair. The alleged confession of the suspect to a man named McDonald, on the strength of which the arrest was made by the sheriff of Cache county, Utah, was found to be without foundation of truth.

Commenting upon the petition to President McKinley, promoted by the New York World, urging that the good offices of the United States be offered in settling the difficulties between Great Britain and the Transvaal, the London Standard says: "We very much doubt whether the Washington government will at all appreciate the suggestion, but in any case it is as well for those whom it concerns, and particularly for those whom it does not concern, to understand that the Transvaal question is one which exclusively affects ourselves and which we propose to settle without assistance or intervention of any kind."

Mack Cannon, a negro, was hanged at Irvington, Ga., for the murder of William Price, near Ivey station, in April last.

Louis Lewisho, clothing manufacturer of New York, filed a petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities, \$165,862; assets, \$79,870.

Prices of coal have been advanced about 15 cents a ton. The Pittsburg Coal company, the railroad combination, has made this official announcement to the trade. It was unexpected at this time, as the rumor current several days that an advance was to be made was denied. No reason is given for the advance.

TROUBLE IN VENEZUELA

Torn by One Insurrection, Another Is to Be Faced.

PRESIDENT ANDRADE IS OUSTED.

"El Mocho" Hernandez Proclaims Against Castro—Caracas Is Excited and "Critical" Expresses the Condition of Affairs in the South American Republic—Difficulties That May Become Very Serious.

CARACAS, Venezuela, Oct. 30.—(New York Herald Special).—"El Mocho" General Jose Manuel Hernandez, started a revolution this morning against General Castro, who ousted President Andrade and assumed control of the government last week.

General Hernandez, with an army of 2,000 men left the capital for Ocumene, which he will make his first headquarters. General Castro counts upon the support of the liberal party. There is much excitement in Caracas, and the situation is regarded as critical.

General Jose Manuel Hernandez, who is known as "El Mocho," the maimed, because in one of his fights he lost three of his fingers, has had a checkered career in Venezuela. He is the son of a carpenter, and has always been very popular with the masses. General Hernandez began his military career nearly thirty years ago. Also Venezuelans prize him for his bravery. During his campaign against Guzman Blanco in the early seventies, he established a record for strategy and personal valor. He has been wounded in battle eighteen times, has been twenty times captured by the enemy, and for several years was an exile in Cuba. Hernandez was at one time a candidate for the presidency in Venezuela. He has been engaged in at least two revolutions. He has sought to overturn the government under Auduzo, Rogaz Paul, Agrespo and Andrade. General Cipriano Castro, who is the present dictator of Venezuela, was for many years prominent in congress and long familiar with governmental matters. He showed considerable military skill with his army of 15,000 men, which he pitted against President Andrade.

At the head of his army he fought and won a bloody battle near Tacuyo on September 16. He seized the towns of Vienna and Puerto Cabello, and promptly established a new government. Castro's revolution was planned and organized in Colombia. The better part of his army was composed of Colombian cowboys, mounted on ponies and armed with rifles. Castro crossed the frontier and marched rapidly to the coast. He swept everything before him, and the ranks of his army rapidly swelled. After taking Valencia he sent an ultimatum to Andrade, demanding that Caracas be surrendered within ten days. It was accepted.

The United States cruiser Detroit was sent to Puerto Cabello to protect American interests.

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LEE ON CONDITIONS IN CUBA.

Former Consul General Says People Are Improving.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—General Fitzhugh Lee, who arrived in Washington last night from New York, in an interview today said that the people of Cuba are steadily improving under the existing protectorate of the United States and are slowly, but surely, rebuilding their war-wasted homes and repairing their crippled fortunes. Life and property are secure in Cuba, owing largely, he said, to the salutary restraint exercised by the American military authority. He thinks the time not yet ripe, however, for a purely Cuban government.

"Cuba," said General Lee, "is improving. The Cubans are tractable and quiet and the revolution has given them self-respect and self-reliance. Their impulses are generally in the right direction, but, of course, both in the theory and practice of self-government they are wholly without experience. There is among certain Cubans a deep-seated prejudice against some men, who the Cubans think, oppressed Cubans under Spanish rule and if given free rein the Cubans would make short work of them."

"The United States government is pledged to grant independence to Cuba after the island has become unified and I believe that promise should be fulfilled just as swiftly as we can in reason and justice. The industrial situation is improving and money is gradually going into Cuba, but nothing like as fast as it would if investors were sure that property would remain safe for years to come and be protected by a government strong enough to enforce law and order."

TO DRAFT NEW SPANISH TREATY.

Negotiations Will Soon Be Opened at Madrid by Minister Storor.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—An understanding has been reached by which it is expected that negotiations will be opened soon at Madrid for a new treaty between the United States and Spain. This will be the last step toward completely restoring the friendly relations between the countries.

The war with Spain swept the old treaty out of existence and the only international agreement in existence is the peace treaty, which is confined to the events growing out of the war, has no reference to commerce, navigation, extradition and other manifold relations between nations in times of peace. The coming negotiations will be for the purpose of forming such a treaty of commerce, amity and friendship.

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SLOSSON-SHAFFER MATCH.

Three Days' Billiard Tourney Will Open at New York Tonight.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—The big Slosson-Schaeffer three nights' billiard match will open here tomorrow night in Madison Garden concert hall. Both the "Wizard" and the "Student" have been hard at practice for over two weeks, and both have shown exceptional form.

Using Ora Morningstar for a trial horse, Schaeffer has been averaging night after night better figures than the world's record at cushion caroms, and in one game he went out with an unfinished run of 116. The best match run on record is 165.

Slosson, too, has been showing splendid form against McLaughlin, with whom he has done most of his practice, and repeatedly averaged above the record, while one or two of the best runs have been very close behind his record figures.

The conditions of the match call for 900 points at cushion caroms, 300 each evening, and the stakes are \$500 a side.

Reception to Twentieth Kansas.

TOPEKA, Kan., Oct. 30.—Elaborate preparations are making for the reception to be accorded the Twentieth Kansas regiment, which is due to arrive here next Thursday from San Francisco. Excursion trains are to be run into Topeka from all points and over 40,000 visitors are expected in the city. Chief Justice Doster will be master of ceremonies of the main exercises at the capitol grounds Thursday, when Colonel Wilder S. Metcalf will return the regimental colors to Governor Joseph K. Hudson will present Brigadier General Frederick Funston with the thousand-dollar sword purchased by the citizens of Kansas.

Henry's Remains at the Capital.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—The funeral train bearing the remains of the late General Henry arrived here from New York at 6:10 o'clock last night. With a platoon of light artillery as an escort, the body was taken to St. John's Episcopal church, where it will lie in state under a guard of honor furnished by the Guy V. Henry post of the Loyal Legion, until the funeral tomorrow.

All Quiet at Ladysmith.

LADYSMITH, Oct. 30.—Everything has remained quiet here today and the water supply is being renewed. A number of resident civilians have been ordered to leave the town under penalty of arrest. Lieutenant Micklejohn of the Gordon Highlanders, who was wounded at Elandsfontein in the arm, is improving after amputation of the leg.

Steps Into Schley's Shoes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 30.—Rear Admiral Cronwell, who has had command of the naval station at Havana since its establishment in January last, has been detached from that duty and ordered to Washington with a view to assignment as president of the naval retiring board, an office just vacated by Rear Admiral W. S. Schley, the new commander-in-chief of the South Atlantic station.

THE MAKEKING FIGHT

A Report That Over 500 Boers Were Killed.

WHERE DUTCH GET AMMUNITION

They Procure It at Vryburg—Commandant Schooman Easily Seizes the Town of Krokoddileport—Boers Threaten Native Chiefs Who Are Loyal to Great Britain—British Meet a Furious Fusillade.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The magistrate at Vryburg is responsible for the report made to Premier Schreiner at Capetown that 513 Boers were killed at Makekang.

LOUREN O MARQUE, Oct. 28.—The following dispatch has been received here from Pretoria, filed yesterday:

"The government has issued a proclamation, declaring that no rents or interests on bonds of martial law, nor within a certain fixed period after the repeal of the same.

"The Boers at Vryburg have secured quantity of ammunition. Commandant Schooman has seized Krokoddileport and destroyed the railway bridge there.

CAPTOWN, Oct. 28.—A telegram from Bulawayo, Rhodesia, dated Monday, says:

A Boer force is threatening Chief Khama and Chief Linchwe, who are loyal to Great Britain. The two chiefs' country lies at the extreme northwest of the Transvaal and includes Bechuanaland. It seems a gross mistake for the Boers to provoke war among the natives. The probable explanation is that the Boer force intends to destroy the railway to Bulawayo and thus prevent any attempt of Colonel Plummer's Rhodesian force to go to the relief of Makekang. Already there have been stories of a Rhodesian armored train engaging the Boers some distance north of Makekang.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The parliamentary bye-election for the Bow and Bromley division of the Tower Hamlets, London, held today to replace the Hon. Lionel R. Holland, conservative, was fought on the government's Transvaal policy and resulted in a big victory for the government, the conservative candidate, William Guthrie, being elected by 4,328 votes against 2,133 votes cast for his liberal and radical opponent, Harry Spender. The conservative majority was practically that secured at the election of Mr. Holland.

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The Daily Telegraph has the following from Ladysmith dated Wednesday:

"Our cavalry patrols have been fired on in this forenoon and chased by the enemy near the scene of the Rietfontein engagement. The Boers show signs of becoming aggressive. We learned of the capture of the Hussars in response to a military wire sent to Commandant General Joubert."

DEATH OF GEN. HENRY.

New Commander of the Department of the Missouri Succumbs to Pneumonia.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Brigadier General Guy V. Henry, U. S. A., late military governor of Porto Rico, died a few minutes before 4 o'clock this morning at his home, 139 Madison avenue, of pneumonia, aged 60 years. He had been unconscious for several hours and his end was peaceful. At his bedside were all the members of his family except his son, Captain Guy V. Henry, Jr., who is in the Philippines.

When General Henry was taken ill ten days ago Dr. Smith, a specialist in pulmonary troubles, was summoned, and he later called in consultation two other physicians. The patient commenced to sink yesterday and in the afternoon became unconscious. Oxygen was used last night in the hope of carrying him through the crisis, but it was of no avail. His wife, his son, Seton, and his daughter, Mrs. Benton, the latter of whom arrived from Newcastle, Va., late in the evening, were with him when he died. Lieutenant P. E. Frank of his staff was also at his bedside.

General Henry's remains will be taken from his home on Sunday and will be placed on a special car and the car attached to the Washington express, which leaves at 12:55 p. m. Arriving in Washington, the body will be taken to St. John's church, where it will lie in state with a special military guard until 11:30 o'clock Monday morning, at which hour the funeral services will be had.

The body will be escorted from the house to the train in this city by the national and state troops. Of the latter there will be the Seventh, Sixty-ninth and Seventy-first regiments.

CECIL RHODES SEES FIGHT.

Diamond King Revels in the War He Brought About.

CAPTOWN, Oct. 28.—According to further advices from Kimberley, the Boers removed their killed and wounded in carts. No reliable estimate of their losses has been made.

Mr. Rhodes rode out and watched the fight. The townspeople, including the women, mounted the trenches, watching eagerly for the return of the troops. Mr. Rhodes is cheerful and gives dinner parties daily, at which luxuries are abundant.

To Be Buried at Arlington.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—The death of General Henry was announced to the war department in a dispatch from Lieutenant Traubee, aid-de-camp on the general's staff.

The interment will be at Arlington National cemetery Sunday. The announcement was received with heartfelt expression of regret from Secretary Root, Adjutant General Corbin, and other high officials as well as from the rank and file about the war department, for General Henry was a well-known figure here and universally esteemed.

HONORS TO SAMPSON.

Presented With a Flag at the Home of His Boyhood.

PALMYRA, N. Y., Oct. 28.—Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson came to Palmyra, the home of his boyhood, from Rochester today. He was greeted with a noisy and enthusiastic demonstration.

A procession was formed and reviewed by the admiral, after which he and his party, including Mrs. Sampson, were taken to the residence of Plinty T. Sexton, where luncheon was served.

The exercises in the afternoon were held in the First Presbyterian church. The building was packed to its utmost capacity. The rear admiral was most heartily cheered as he entered. Plinty T. Sexton, a schoolmate of Admiral Sampson, delivered an address of welcome.

After Admiral Sampson responded Mr. Sexton presented him with the flag which was flying over the capitol at Washington when congress adopted the resolution declaring for Cuban freedom, which was virtually the declaration of war against Spain.

CORNELIUS, JR., NOT A BEGGAR.